happen to have the audacity to file for public office. If distortions of fact, if unwarranted attacks on public officials and if half-truths and misstatements constitute what Mr. Goldstein's opponents contend is the "new era of leadership" for Maryland, then I for one want no part of it. It has always been my belief that those who engage in such tactics do so in the hope that the voters of this State will not be sufficiently interested in the election to examine the records of rival candidates.

I had the pleasure of campaigning with Lou Goldstein in 1958 and, again in 1962. In all honesty, I have never seen a more energetic individual. He is tireless, he is effective, and not once did his good humor desert him despite the fact that we walked and rode sometimes for 18 hours at a stretch. There is no one else in Maryland better able to work with Dan Brewster in representing the people of this State in the Senate of the United States nor could Lyndon Johnson have a better running mate in the November election.

If imitation is the most sincere form of flattery, then even his opponents have been complementary to Louis Goldstein. He issued a position paper on fiscal affairs in January and his opponents agreed with him in late February but to avoid the "me too' tag, they questioned Lou Goldstein's motives. He issued a position paper on Latin America in February, they discussed Latin America in limited terms in March. Lou Goldstein issued his position paper on economic development and road construction in March. In April we can look forward to his opponents discussing the same issue. Perhaps what tickled me more than anything else occurred earlier this year when Mr. Goldstein's opponents called for the appointment of a commission on election laws — a commission that already was in existence and had been functioning for more than a year a half.

Louis Goldstein has been part of an administration that has brought to Maryland a 500-mile roads program that includes the Baltimore Beltway and the Northeast Expressway; both only a few miles from here. You may recall that, in 1962, he campaigned with me for the abolition of slot machines while the Republicans claimed that this simply could not be accomplished. You may also recall that I had the privilege last year of signing the legislation abolishing slot mamachines from Maryland. We worked together to rehabilitate the oyster industry, to promote economic development, and to raise teachers' salaries to a level that will make Maryland second in the nation in this field.

We have extended civil rights by law and by voluntary action; we